

(Washington, D.C.) - Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez released the following statement in response to today's announcement of Attorney General Alberto Gonzales's resignation:

"Attorney General Gonzales's resignation is long overdue. His divisive and blatantly partisan approach to administering the duties of the office of the U.S. Attorney General have led to an unprecedented erosion of confidence and transparency in the office of our top law enforcement official. President Bush should move to quickly replace Gonzales with a more principled individual who will respect the office and serve honorably -- someone who will restore credibility to the Justice Department."

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